



City Manager's Weekly Update



Contact us:



[PW Facebook](#)



[P&R Facebook](#)



[PW Twitter](#)



[PD Twitter](#)



[Nextdoor](#)

T: 650-595-7408 E: cmanager@belmont.gov



[Click to receive Weekly Updates](#)

[Employment Opportunities](#) with the City of Belmont

New - [Recreation Coordinator - Recreation Facilities](#)

For more information please click [here](#).

Upcoming Meetings:

Dec. 25 - Jan. 1st
Jan. 13

City Hall Closed (Holiday Closure)
Council Meeting

Contents

Executive Summary

- Third Quarter 2014 Sales Tax
- Ralston Ave. Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project

PW Operations and Maintenance

- Holiday Street Sweeping Schedule

Environmental News:

- Paper Bag Fee Increase Jan 1st

Belmont Fire Department Annual Open House and Toy Drive

Parks and Recreation:

- Volunteering V.O.I.C.E.S.
- Storm related cleanup
- Belmont's Mandated Waste Management Plan
-

Community Calendars:

- Twin Pines Center Calendar
- Public Library Calendar

Other Agency Reports:

- "When the rain is on turn the sprinklers off"

Executive Summary

Third Quarter 2014 Sales Tax

The City's revenue consultant, MuniServices, has provided preliminary results for the third quarter of 2014 sales tax returns. Specifically, the City's sales tax receipts increased significantly by 11.8%, and the State and San Mateo County both increased by 5.1% and 5.9%, respectively, over the same quarter last year.

Ralston Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project

While last week's wet weather set our work back a bit, the project's contractor has finished installing the majority of the pipe. They are in the process of reconstructing a manhole at Ralston and Chula Vista, and finishing work at NDNU entrance. Upon completion of that work, the traffic controls will be removed from this location, traffic lanes will revert back to normal.

Additionally, work is also proceeding at Notre Dame and Ralston Avenues in preparation of the final pull of the pipe from this location to the High School driveway. The drilling equipment is setup at this location for this final pull.

Notre Dame at Ralston will be closed during the construction hours. Detour signs, cones and delineators are installed to redirect traffic. Two-way traffic on Ralston will be maintained at all time. Weather permitting, most of the major pipe installation work will be completed before Christmas break.



Make sure to include additional time into your daily commute and use alternate routes.

For additional information, please contact Public Works at 650-595-7425



OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

Sewer Division

- Inspected and cleaned 11 sewer pump stations
- The service truck (205) responded to 10 service calls
- Jetted (cleaned) 4,974 feet of sewer main
- Videoed 180 feet of sewer pipe
- Helped with Storm related preparedness/issues and cleanup
- Cleaned flushable wipes from debris catcher in Ralston Ranch Pump Station (*pictured below*)



Ralston Ranch debris catcher - Before 12/12/14



Ralston Ranch Debris catcher - After 12/12/14

- Staff removed and diagnosed a problem with a broken pump at San Juan Pump Station, and helped contractor setup by-pass pump for use while the broken pump is being fixed (*pictured below*)



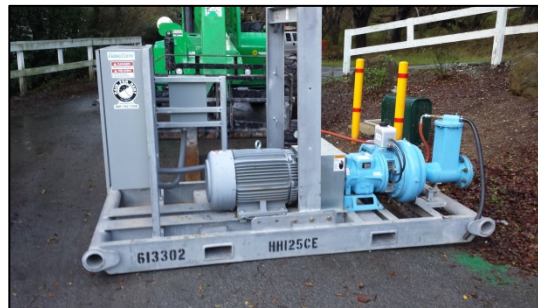
Removing pump from San Juan wet well



Broken Impeller on pump #2 (San Juan station)



Damaged Volute on pump #2



Temporary rental by-pass pump



Temporary rental by-pass pump (setup)

Storm Division

- Swept 112 miles of roadway resulting in the acquisition of 16.23 tons of debris
- Inspected and cleaned 2 Storm Pump Stations
- Jetted (cleaned) 450 feet of storm line
- Performed video inspections on 728 feet of storm line
- Completed the twice weekly inspection of Water Dog Lake roadway, spillway, dam, and v-ditch
- Removed accumulated debris from pinch points along Water Dog Lake v-ditch
- Cleaned all "hot spots" and creek inlets citywide

Holiday Street Sweeping Schedule



December 25th routes will be swept Friday, December 26th

January 1st routes will be swept Friday, January 2nd



For more info- contact Public Works at 650-595-7425



Traffic Operations

- Weekly visual inspections for preventative maintenance of intersections
- Visual inspection of lighted crosswalks
- Repaired 8 streetlights
- Stop sign audit complete
- Installed Holiday ribbons complete
- Performed Storm Patrol duties
- Troubleshoot pump failures at San Juan pump station
- Assisted contractor with bypass pump installation and testing at San Juan pump station
- Repair pedestrian crossing signal - Ralston/Continental
- Replaced 3 audible pedestrian signal devices – Ralston/Alameda
- Filled 3 potholes
- Transported, placed and maintained 54 barricades in 8 locations related to the storm
- Replenished sand at the sand bag station at City Hall

Streets Division

- Marked out 11 Underground Service Alerts
- Checked and replenished sand and bags at all 3 locations daily
- Filled 73 potholes throughout the city
- Cleaned creek inlets

- Behind 2520 Carlmont Dr.
- Live Oak Way
- Hidden Valley
- Covington and Alameda
- Lake and Lyle
- Behind 2540 Carlmont Dr.
- Cleaned V-Ditches
 - Hallmark and Waterloo Court
 - Hallmark V-Ditch
 - Lake Road V-Ditch
- Assisted the sewer crew with setting up the San Juan Pump Station bypass

'Tis the Season for Giving!



Just in time for the holidays, and before the new paper bag fee increase!

Stop by the Public Works Department for your **FREE** reusable bag (*while supplies last*)

One Twin Pines Lane, Suite 385
Monday-Friday
8:00-noon & 1:00-5:00

Remember, effective January 1, 2015 paper bags will increase from .10¢ to .25¢ at point of sale.

Belmont Fire Department Annual Open House & Toy Drive – Bring the Kids

The Belmont Fire Department wants to remind residents that their annual Toy Drive for children in need is in full swing. As part of this effort the department will be hosting an Open House at Fire Station 14, located at 911 Granada Street on December 19th from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm. The event will include an opportunity to visit Santa, play in the snow tour the firehouse, meet your local firefighters and enjoy some refreshments. Although not required, people attending the open house are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy to support the Toy Drive.



Additionally, anyone wishing to donate toys between now and December 25th can drop them off at either of the two fire stations:

- Station 14- 911 Granada Street (corner of Granada St. & Ralston Ave.)
- Station 15- 2701 Cipriani Boulevard (corner of Cipriani Blvd. & Ralston Ave.)

**SANTA AT THE
FIREHOUSE & TOY DRIVE**

Time: 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Date: Friday, Dec. 19th
Location: Station 14, 911 Granada St.
Belmont Fire Department

Bring a toy to be given to a local child in need!
Free refreshments, activities, and snow.
Meet your firefighters and bring your camera
for a picture with Santa.

Additional Toy Drop-Off Sites: Fire station 15 (2701 Cipriani Blvd.)
Questions?: Call Fire Dept. Administration (650) 595-7492

Find us on Facebook
CITY OF BELMONT
"Enhancing the quality of life for the community"

We accept new, unwrapped toys such as dolls, puzzles, board games, toy trucks/cars and action figures. Please do not give DVD's or video games, as we never know what technology the child has access to. Also, we are unable to accept bicycles.

For further information on the Belmont Firefighters Toy Drive please contact the Belmont Fire Department Administrative Office at (650) 595-7492.

Parks and Recreation



Volunteering V.O.I.C.E.S.



For the second year in a row, V.O.I.C.E.S. partnered with Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation to spread holiday cheer. On Saturday, December 13th, V.O.I.C.E.S. wrapped gifts for the 250 students and their families that participate in the Tenderloin After School Program. Program Coordinator Alyssa Santos said, "Thank you all for your patience, your eagerness to help, your hard work and above all your time on a beautiful Saturday!"

Monday, December 15, V.O.I.C.E.S. celebrated the holiday season and a successful first semester of service with a potluck and gift exchange. In our first four months, fourteen total hours of direct service time has been given to four organizations from the Tenderloin, San Jose, San Mateo and our very own Belmont.

Storm Related Cleanup

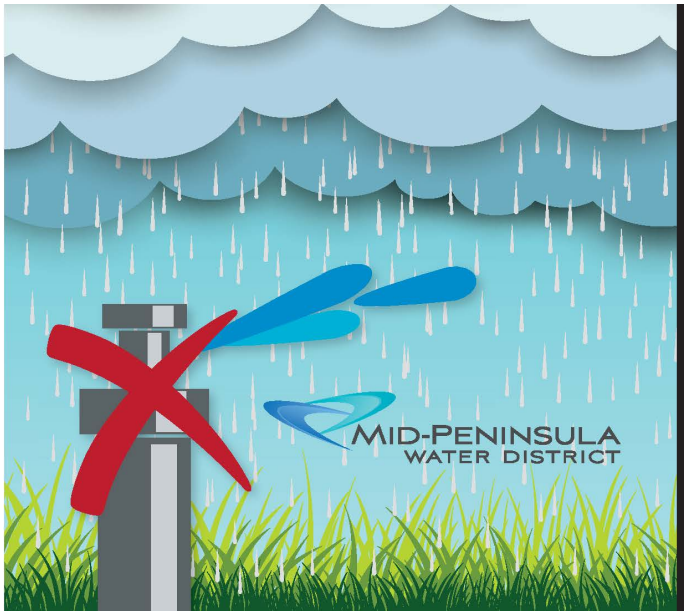
Our Parks team has been busy clearing downed trees in the open space, removing debris from drains and maintaining that our facilities are safe and usable by both public and staff.



Belmont's Mandated Waste Management Plan

In addition, new, multi-stream waste receptacles have been installed at Belameda Park at the Belmont Library as part of Belmont's mandated waste management plan. The entire library, park and playground are now in compliance with our multi-stream waste guidelines. Be sure to read the informational signage on the enclosures throughout our parks so the waste makes it onto the proper receptacle and we all do our part to keep Belmont clean!





***When the Rain is On ✓
Turn the Sprinklers Off ✗***

The drought is year-round, and so is conservation. During wet and cooler weather, **TURN OFF** your irrigation system and let nature do the watering for you.

For more conservation tips, please visit
www.MidPeninsulaWater.org/rebates

Community Calendars

Twin Pines Community Center

Twin Pines Senior & Community Center ~ December 2014 ~				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 9:30 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 9:30 Italian Class 10:00 Spanish Chat 1:00 Book Club 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 French Chat 2:00 Sit N' Be Fit Video	2 9:00 Mindful Meditation 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Gentle Tai Chi (S) 10:00 Music Appreciation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:00 Canasta 12:15 Classic Movie 12:30 Needlecrafts Group	3 8:45 Strength Training 9:30 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Computer Tutor 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Class 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 New Movie 12:30 Pinochle/Hearts	4 9:00 Garden Club 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Canasta 11:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Bridge 1:00 Art Group. Drop in! 2:00 History Group	5 9:30 Yoga w/ Adriana 11:00 Mandarin Conversation 1:00 Go 4 Life Fitness Video 1:00 BINGO
8 9:30 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Ukulele Sing Along 9:30 Italian Chat 10:00 Spanish Chat 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 French Chat 2:00 Sit N' Be Fit Video	9 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Gentle Tai Chi (S) 10:00 Music Appreciation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:00 Canasta 12:15 Foreign Film 12:30 Needlecrafts Group 12:30 Pedro Card Game	10 8:45 Strength Training 9:30 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Computer Tutor 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Class 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 New Movie 12:30 Pinochle/Hearts 3:00 Piano, Wine & Cheese Social (S)	11 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Canasta 11:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 11:30 Birthday Lunch (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Bridge 1:00 Art Group. Drop in! 2:00 History Group	12 9:30 Yoga w/ Adriana 11:00 Mandarin Conversation 1:00 Go 4 Life Fitness Video 1:00 BINGO 1:30 Mahjong
15 9:30 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 9:30 Italian Chat 10:00 Spanish Chat 1:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 2:00 French Chat 2:00 Sit N' Be Fit Video	16 9:00 Blood Pressure Clinic 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Gentle Tai Chi (S) 10:00 Senior Club Meeting 10:00 Music Appreciation 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:00 Canasta 12:15 Classic Movie 12:30 Needlecrafts Group	17 8:45 Strength Training 9:30 Bread Program 9:30 Video Aerobics 10:00 Computer Tutor 10:00 Spanish Class 10:30 Zumba Gold (R) 11:30 German Class 11:30 Holiday Lunch (S) 12:15 New Movie 12:30 Pinochle/Hearts	18 9:30 Walking Group 9:30 Canasta 11:00 Beat Arthritis (R) 11:30 Lunch Program (S) 12:15 Wii Bowling 12:30 Bridge 1:00 Art Group. Drop in! 2:00 History Group	19 9:30 Yoga w/ Adriana 11:00 Mandarin Conversation 1:00 Go 4 Life Fitness Video 1:00 *NO Bingo today
22 <div>Closed for Maintenance</div>	23 <div></div>	<div> Dec 24, 2014 - Jan 2, 2015 Closed for the Holidays </div>		

**Some activities are drop-in, some require Signing up (S), some require Registration with Parks & Recreation (R)*

**Activities are subject to change. Please call 595-7444 to confirm.*

Belmont Public Library

December 2014



At the Belmont Library

<http://www.facebook.com/smlbelmont>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Baby Storytime 3:30p Lego Club 3:30p Holiday Food Tasting 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Musical Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground 3:30p Kids' Craft Club 	3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Comp. Class: Borrowing eBooks 3:30p Teen Gaming 6:30p Needles & Hooks Club 7:00p Pajama Storytime 7:00p 1st Wed. Bk Grp: <i>The River of Doubt</i> by Candice Millard 	4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Toddler ST 3:30p Imagination Playground 7:00p Tasty Pairings: Port, Wine and Cheese with Laura Stec 	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Pres. Storytime 11:15a Russian Storytime 4:00p Science Club 	6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00a Holiday Open House 10:00a Friends Book Sale 3:00p Four Woods Holiday Concert
7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:00p Docent Lecture: Houghton Hall from The deYoung Museum 	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Baby Storytime 3:30p Lego Club 3:30p Teen Holiday Party 	9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Musical Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground 3:30p Kids' Craft Club 	10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Computer Coach 3:30p Teen Gaming 6:30p Needles & Hooks Club 7:00p Pajama Storytime 	11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Toddler ST 2:00p Mystery Bk Grp: <i>The Scarecrow</i> by Michael Connelly 3:30p Imagination Playgr. 6:15p Teen Study Night 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Preschool ST 11:15a Russian Storytime 4:00p Science Club 7:00p First Friday Flicks: <i>How to Train Your Dragon 2</i> 	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Family ST 11:00a Imagination Playground 2:00p A Downton Abbey Christmas
14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00p Carlmont Improv Showcase 	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Baby Storytime 12:00p Senior Health Talk: Healthy Holiday Meals 3:30p Lego Club 3:30p Teen Movie 	16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Musical ST 11:00a Imagination Playground 3:30p Kids' Craft Club 6:30p Paws for Tales 	17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Comp Class: Instagram 3:30p Teen Gaming 6:30p Needles & Hooks Club 7:00p Holiday Songs and Stories 	18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Toddler ST 3:30p Imagination Playground 	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Pres. Storytime 11:15a Russian Storytime 7:00p Reel Musical Film: <i>Umbrellas of Cherbourg</i> 	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:00p North Pole Review with the Fratello Marionettes
21	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Baby Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground 3:30p Lego Club 	23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Musical Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground 	24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Computer Coach 11:00a Imagination Playground 12:00p Drop-in Drawing LIBRARY CLOSING AT 5:00p	25 LIBRARY CLOSED	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Preschool ST 11:00a Imagination Playground 11:15a Russian Storytime 	27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Uke Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground
28	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Baby Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground 12:00p Drop-in Letter Writing 3:30p Lego Club 	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Musical Storytime 11:00a Imagination Playground 	31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30a Computer Coach 11:00a Imagination Playground 11:30a New Year's Party LIBRARY CLOSING AT 5:00p	KEY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red: Children's/Family Green: Teen Black: Adult Blue: All Ages 		